

State vs. Jepson**Filing Date – July 7, 2010****Charges:***Racketeering, 1 count, Felony 2**Insurance Fraud, 5 counts, Felony 2**Criminal Solicitation, 1 count, Felony 3**Receiving/Transferring stolen Vehicle, 7 counts, Felony 2**Criminal Mischief, 3 counts, Felony 2**Theft, 1 count, Felony 2**False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B**Allstate Insurance - \$97,863**CUMIS Insurance - \$12,740**GEICO Insurance - \$17,288**State Farm Insurance - \$18,908**Farmers Insurance - \$47,123**Zurich Insurance - \$24,428**Progressive Insurance - \$18,254**Nationwide Insurance - \$24,730*

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: Between January 2009 and May 2010, Jepson was a principle subject in receiving vehicles from owners who wanted to stage vehicle thefts to collect insurance. The give up vehicles and owners were typically involved in street racing. Jepson dismantled these vehicles and scrapped them at a local metal salvage yard. In addition, Jepson and others also committed dozens of vehicle burglaries and vehicle and motorcycle thefts.

State vs. Sanders**Filing Date – July 19, 2010****Charges:***Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2**Great Western Casualty - \$73,766*

Staged Vehicle Theft: In August of 2008, Sanders dropped her 2005 Western Star Semi Tractor off at a truck repair facility in West Valley City, Utah. Sanders returned later that evening and removed the Semi with a spare key and parked it in a storage facility she had rented in Tooele County. Sanders then filed a stolen vehicle claim with the repair facility and the West Valley Police Department. The Semi Tractor was discovered and recovered in November of 2009 after Sanders stopped paying rent on the storage unit. Sanders has fled the State of Utah.

State vs. Taylor**Filing Date – July 19, 2010***Charges:**Hunter Group - \$Unknown**Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2**Forgery, 1 count, Felony 3*

Forged Certificate of Liability Insurance: Taylor is a licensed contractor who is required to have liability insurance. Taylor's liability insurance was cancelled for non-payment in 2008. In 2009, Taylor forged a certificate of insurance and presented it to Lowes as proof of insurance coverage in order to received payment for work he had performed.

State vs. Lira**Filing Date - July 19, 2010***Charges:**UAIC Insurance - \$7,825**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2*

False Stolen Vehicle Claim/Application Fraud: On November 8, 2008, Lira's 2004 Buick was towed for not having a proper parking permit on the car. (The Buick was later repossessed by the lien holder from the impound yard) Later that same date Lira obtained insurance on the Buick. When asked to inspect the Buick, Lira advised the agent she did not want to drive the car in for inspection prior to having the car insured. A few hours later Lira reported her Buick stolen to the local police. Two days later Lira reported the Buick stolen to her insurance claiming it has been stolen while she was obtaining insurance.

State vs. Nguyen**Filing Date - July 27, 2010***Charges:**Depositors/Nationwide- \$15,000**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2**Conspiracy, 1 count, Felony 3**False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B*

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: On or about June 12, 2010 Nguyen conspired with Jepson to stage the theft of his 2003 Mitsubishi Lancer so that Nguyen could collect insurance for the vehicle. Nguyen had attempted to sell his vehicle and believed he would get more money for it from insurance if it was stolen than if he sold it. Nguyen also expected to be paid a sum of money from Jepson when the vehicle was parted out. Unbeknownst to Nguyen, his vehicle was equipped with Lo-Jack which was activated when the vehicle was reported stolen to police. The hidden vehicle was located by a Highway Patrol Trooper who had a Lo-Jack receiver in his vehicle a few hours later before it was dismantled.

State vs. Still

Filing Date - July 28, 2010

Charges:

Blue Cross Blue Shield - \$1,500

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Prescription Fraud, 7 counts, Felony 3

Doctor Shopping/Prescription Fraud: On or about February 2007 through March 2009, Still obtained Narcotic pain medication from multiple doctors without disclosing the prescriptions from the other physicians. Health insurance was used to pay for the unnecessary doctor visits.

State vs. Watson

Filing Date – Aug 12, 2010

Charges:

Select Health - \$1,616

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Prescription Solutions \$3,638

Distribution of Controlled Substance, 3 counts, Felony 2

Prime Therapeutics \$6,609

Identity Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Racketeering, 1 count, Felony 2

Forged Prescriptions/Distribution of Narcotics: Watson conspired with Whiting who worked for a doctor's office to steal prescription pads. Watson paid others to use their insurance to pass the stolen forged prescriptions and obtain narcotics.

State vs. Berules

Filing Date – Aug 23, 2010

Charges:

Unitrin Insurance - \$1,772

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Auto Accident Past Posting: Berules's auto insurance was cancelled for non-payment of premium on 12/28/2009. On 1/1/2010 Berules was involved in an auto accident. Berules reinstated his auto insurance on 1/4/2010 at which time he signed an affidavit of no losses during the time he was uninsured.

State vs. Vineyard

Filing Date – Aug 24, 2010

Charges:

American Family - \$11,843

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 3 counts, Felony 2

False Theft Claim: In February of 2010, Vineyard reported a burglary of his residence. The police found no evidence of entry. Vineyard submitted a list of items stolen which were later identified as having been given to his ex-wife in their divorce proceedings in January of 2010.

State vs. Nazaryan

Filing Date - Aug 25, 2010

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$57,000

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Staged Vehicle Theft: In October of 2009 Nazaryan reported his 2008 BMW X6 stolen out of Salt Lake City. It was later discovered that in November of 2009 Nazaryan's BMW was shipped to Finland. Nazaryan is friends with the owners of the shipping company which shipped the vehicle. It is believed Nazaryan never owned this vehicle and obtained a duplicate title prior to shipping to perpetuate this fraud.

State vs. Vigil

Filing Date - Aug 25, 2010

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$3,925

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Vehicle Theft Claim: In February of 2009 Vigil reported her 1996 Lexus ES300 stolen to police and insurance knowing her vehicle had been repossessed four days prior.

State vs. Wilson

Filing Date – Sept 2, 2010

Charges:

Foremost Insurance- \$89,000

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Falsified Property Loss in Residential Fire: Wilson's home caught fire in January of 2008. Wilson falsified the list of property lost in the fire. Wilson was seen removing several of the items from his home with a truck the week prior to the fire. Some items were located in a relative's home. Arson is suspected.

State vs. K. Sullivan (Co-Defendant with A. Sullivan)

Filing Date - Sept 8, 2010

Charges:

Allied Insurance - \$6,561

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

False Material Statement of Fact in Auto Accident: In September of 2009 Sullivan was involved in an auto accident. Sullivan stated he was the passenger and his wife was the driver and that both suffered injuries. Witnesses of the accident report that Sullivan was the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle. Sullivan was driving on suspension and was required to have an ignition interlock device in his car.

State vs. A. Sullivan (Co-Defendant with K. Sullivan)

Filing Date – Sept 8, 2010

Charges:

Allied Insurance - \$6,561

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

False Material Statement of Fact in Auto Accident: Sullivan submitted an insurance claim in September of 2009 stating that she and her husband had been in an auto accident and both had suffered injuries. Witnesses state that Sullivan's husband was the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle.

State vs. Marquez

Filing Date - Sept 29, 2010

Charges:

PEHP Insurance - \$12,692

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Prescription Fraud, 3 counts, Felony 3

Prescription Fraud/Doctor Shopping: Between June 2009 and November 2009 Marquez used insurance to make 30 doctor visits to obtain 22 prescriptions for narcotics. Marquez also forged many of the prescriptions.

State vs. Christian

Filing Date - Sept 29, 2010

Charges:

State Farm Insurance- \$23,293

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Theft Claim: In September of 2009 Christian purchased a 1987 Bluebird bus in Florida for \$1,250. Christian purchased insurance a few days later in Utah. Christian claimed that while picking up the bus and traveling back to Utah, the bus was broken into and attached equipment valued at \$23,293 was stolen from the bus. The equipment claimed to be stolen was never installed on the bus and the damage claimed to the bus was pre-existing his purchase.

State vs. Soley

Filing Date - Sept 21, 2010

Charges:

American Family - \$8,931

Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Canal Insurance - \$5,500

Identity Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 3

Criminal Mischief, 1 count, Felony 3

Financial Transaction Card, 1 count, Felony 3

Financial Transaction Card, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Staged Vehicle Burglary/Apartment Burglary/Identity Fraud/and Credit Card Fraud: In March of 2010 Soley staged the burglary and vandalism of his 2004 Ford Crown Victoria which he used in his business as a taxi driver. He cut up his seats and broke his dashboard as part of the damages. In April of 2010 Soley staged a burglary of his apartment in which he claimed items were stolen. During the investigation it was discovered that Soley also stole credit card numbers from taxi customers and made or attempted to make retail purchases.

State vs. Johnson

Filing Date – Oct 4, 2010

Charges:

Multiple Insurance Companies- \$

Receiving/Transferring Stolen Vehicle, 6 counts, Felony 2

Possession of Motor Vehicle Parts without VIN Numbers, 3 counts, Felony 3

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Criminal Mischief, 1 count, Felony 2

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: Johnson was a central subject with Jepson in receiving owner give up and stolen vehicles which he assisted in storing and dismantling. Johnson also sold many parts from these vehicles on various internet sites.

State vs. Harper

Filing Date – Oct 4, 2010

Charges:

Allstate - \$10,700

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Criminal Solicitation, 1 count, Felony 3

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In October of 2009 Harper conspired with Jepson and others to stage the theft of his 2005 Dodge Neon SRT-4 from Golds Gym in West Jordan Utah. The vehicle was dismantled and the false theft claim was presented to police and his insurance.

State vs. Elmer

Filing Date – Oct 12, 2010

Charges:

GEICO - \$3,278

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: In September of 2009 Elmer was involved with a collision with two deer while driving his 2004 Ford truck. At the time of the collision Elmer's vehicle insurance had lapsed for non-payment. Elmer reinstated his insurance with GEICO and then claimed the accident occurred after the truck was insured.

State vs. Wilcox

Filing Date – Oct 18, 2010

Charges:

Aetna Insurance – \$13,793

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Collecting Disability While Working: Wilcox was injured while working for a coal company in 2005 or 2006. Wilcox filed a disability claim and received monthly insurance payments. During 2007 Wilcox worked for several different companies while still receiving the monthly disability payments; which due to his working he was ineligible for.

State vs. B. Sullivan

Filing Date – Oct 25, 2010

Charges:

Progressive - \$7,266.40

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Vehicle Theft: In February 2008 Sullivan reported his 1998 Ford truck stolen. Sullivan reported that he believed an ex-coworker who had been fired may have taken it. Sullivan had in fact sold the truck to the ex-coworker who had moved out of state and had been making payments via payroll deduction to Sullivan.

State vs. Prescott

Filing Date – Nov 1, 2010

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$6,000

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False/Inflated Theft Claim: In February 2010 Prescott reported her home had been burglarized. Among items reported stolen was a saddle. Prescott removed a sales tag from a saddle at AA Callister and represented it was the saddle stolen. Other items Prescott reported stolen were determined to have not belonged to her or to have been removed prior to the reported burglary.

State vs. Hoffman

Filing Date – Nov 22, 2010

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$1,398

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Report to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Vehicle Theft Claim: Hoffman's husband was involved in a hit and run accident where he drove from the scene and abandoned his 1994 Buick LeSabre. Hoffman reported the Buick stolen the following day and claimed her husband had been with her the entire time. Hoffman's husband was identified by a witness as the driver of the vehicle.

State vs. Mickelsen

Filing Date – Dec 2, 2010

Charges:

PEHP - \$2,810

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Beneficiary Insurance Fraud: In August of 2007, Mickelsen completed insurance enrolment forms with PEHP. Mickelsen falsely listed her boyfriend as her legal spouse on the application for insurance. Mickelsen's boyfriend received medical benefits as a result of the false application listing him as a spouse.

State vs. Castellanos

Filing Date – Dec 7, 2010

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$83,029

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Forgery, 2 counts, Felony 3

Falsified Receipts/False Burglary: In June of 2008, Castellanos claimed her business was broken into and printing press equipment used in the business was stolen. Castellanos forged and provided receipts for equipment to her insurance to document ownership.

State vs. Faber

Filing Date – Dec 12, 2010

Charges:

Farmers Insurance- \$15,098

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, misdemeanor B

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In April 2009 Faber conspired with Jepson and others to stage the theft of his 2003 Nissan Frontier truck. Faber then reported the Nissan stolen and collected insurance while the vehicle was dismantled and disposed of.

State vs. Rendon

Filing Date – Dec 15, 2010

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$4,450

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Vehicle Theft: In October of 2009 Rendon impersonated Abeyta in filing a stolen vehicle report claiming Abeyta's 1999 Pontiac Grand Prix had been stolen. At the time Rendon knew Abeyta's vehicle had been wrecked in an accident while another relative was driving. Rendon hoped to get insurance to pay for the vehicle if it was stolen and told Abeyta she would take care of it for her.

State vs. Brewster

Filing Date – Dec 15, 2010

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$1,757

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Vehicle Accident Damage/Prior Damages: In March of 2008 Brewster reported that he was involved in an accident where he hit a tree. Brewster claimed both airbags were deployed but no police report was filed. Inspection showed that the airbags were not deployed as a result of this accident and had not been repaired as Brewster claimed.

State vs. Sheneman

Filing Date – Dec 14, 2010

Charges:

American Family Insurance - \$98,945

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Residential Fire/Misrepresentation of Facts: In February of 2009 a residential fire occurred at the home of Sheneman which was under construction. Sheneman misrepresented ownership of a tractor destroyed in the fire and inflated the value of this equipment. Sheneman also formed a shell company which he represented was contracted to demolish the remains of the home. Sheneman then collected a portion of claim value from insurance for the demolition but never demolished the home.

State vs. Abeyta

Filing Date – Dec 16, 2010

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$4,450

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Vehicle Theft: In October 2009 Abeyta's 1999 Pontiac Gran Prix was involved in an accident while being driven by a relative. Abeyta conspired with Rendon to falsely report the vehicle stolen in order to get insurance to provide coverage and pay off the vehicle.

State vs. Prestwich

Filing Date - Dec 27, 2010

Charges:

Select Health - \$48,000

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Application Misrepresentation of Spouse: In August of 2008 Prestwich falsified her application for health insurance at her new employment by listing another individual as her husband when she is not married. Throughout the following year the other individual received health related benefits that he was not entitled to.

State vs. Appell**Filing Date - Dec 27, 2010***Charges:**Esurance - \$6,400**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2*

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On January 8, 2010, McDaniel was involved in an accident while driving his Dodge Durango without insurance. On January 10th, McDaniel's wife Appell, purchased an Esurance policy which was cancelled a few days later for non payment. Appell purchased a second policy on January 15th. Appell then submitted an insurance claim that the accident had occurred on January 16, 2010.

State vs. Pressley**Filing Date - Dec 29, 2010***Charges:**Balboa Insurance - \$2,500**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3**False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B*

Fictitious Vehicle Theft: In January of 2010 Pressley reported to police and submitted an insurance claim that his 2002 Honda Accord had been stolen in late December of 2009. Pressley's Honda Accord had actually been impounded nearly six months prior and sold by the State Tax Commission.

State vs. Tracy**Filing Date - Jan 3, 2011***Charges:**United Insurance - \$985**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor A*

Fictitious Vehicle Accident: On January 14, 2010 Tracy contacted West Valley Police to report that she had been in an accident with a vehicle that left the scene. Tracy provided a vehicle plate number of the suspect vehicle and later filed a personal injury claim with her insurance. The suspect vehicle owner was located and upon inspection by police and a bio-mechanical expert, it was determined that the damage to the suspect vehicle was pre-existing and was not caused by contact with Tracy's vehicle. Tracy has prior hit and run accident claims in which she has submitted injury claims.

State vs. Ferguson**Filing Date - Jan 3, 2011***Charges:**American States Insurance - \$385,995**Forgery, 1 count, Felony 2*

False Equipment Damage Claim: In May of 2009 a sprinkler line was cut by a construction company outside a building Ferguson occupied. Ferguson claimed three laser machines stored in the basement were damaged by water that ran over them. Ferguson presented a replacement invoice for the laser machines which was dated prior to the date of loss. Ferguson requested a co-worker lie to insurance regarding the lasers and he would give the co-worker some of the proceeds from insurance. Witnesses' state no laser equipment was ever in the basement or damaged and that Ferguson did not own the lasers he claimed were damaged.

State vs. Dalton**Filing date - Jan 10, 2011***Charges:**Esurance - \$3,000**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor A**State Farm \$921**Operating a Motor Vehicle without Insurance, 1 count, Misdemeanor B*

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On July 23, 2010 Dalton was involved in an accident with a neighbor's vehicle. Dalton obtained insurance coverage over the phone two hours later. Dalton then reported to her insurance that the accident occurred on July 25, 2010. Dalton's prior insurance had lapsed on June 20, 2010.

State vs. Walker**Filing Date – Jan 11, 2011***Charges:**GEICO - \$12,606**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2**False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B*

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In January 2009 Walker conspired with Jepson and others to stage the theft of his 2005 Dodge Neon SRT-4. Jepson took the vehicle, stripped it of valuable parts, and dumped the body near a park in South Jordan Utah. Walker then reported his vehicle stolen to police and to his insurance company.

State vs. Richey

Filing Date – Jan 11, 2011

Charges:

Farm Bureau Insurance - \$27,000

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Law Enforcement, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Burglary and Report of Items Stolen: In April of 2010 Richey reported to police that someone had entered her home through an unlocked door while she was working in the back yard and stole several high valued guitars. Witnesses stated that Richey never owned these items. Richey admitted that she had obtained the information she submitted to insurance from the internet.

State vs. Grimes

Filing Date – Jan 11, 2011

Charges:

Farmers - \$10,534

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In April of 2009 Grimes conspired with Jepson and others to stage the theft of his 2000 Dodge Ram truck. The truck was taken and dismantled and Grimes reported the truck stolen to police and to his insurance company.

State vs. Adair

Filing Date – Jan 24, 2011

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$1,927

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Salt Lake County - \$1,572

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Double Dipping Accident Claim: In June of 2009 Adair's 1997 Dodge Dakota truck was backed into by a Salt Lake County Sanitation truck. In July of 2009 Adair's same truck was rear ended by a Nissan Altima which was covered by Allstate Insurance. Adair denied any prior accident damage and advised Allstate that all damage was from the second accident. Adair then submitted damage estimates from the second accident to Salt Lake County in an attempt to increase his settlement with Salt Lake County.

State vs. Myszka-Bauer

Filing Date – Jan 27, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$2,220

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: Myszka's auto insurance policy lapsed in September of 2010 due to non payment. On October 13, 2010 Myszka posted a facebook post saying her juvenile daughter had driven her vehicle through the garage door while showing off for friends. On October 14, 2010 Myszka renewed her auto insurance policies on two vehicles and later reported that her vehicle malfunctioned while she was driving on October 16, 2010 and that she had driven through her garage door.

State vs. Walker

Filing Date – Jan 27, 2011

Charges:

AAA - \$15,470

Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 2 counts, Misdemeanor B

False Theft Claims: In April of 2010 Walker reported to the Murray Police Department that a bike had been stolen from her bike rack attached to her car. In September of 2010 Walker submitted a new claim that her vehicle had been burglarized and items stolen from in the vehicle. Both claims were determined to have been false.

State vs. DeHerrera (Zamora is co-defendant)

Filing Date – Jan 27, 2011

Charges:

Acuity Insurance - \$8,889

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Repair Documents: In July of 2010 DeHerrera filed a claim on his 2006 Harley Davidson motorcycle which had been damaged in a hit and run. DeHerrera submitted a list of replacement parts he claimed to have purchased from the local dealership to his insurance. DeHerrera's girlfriend Zamora, who worked at the dealership, provided altered documents representing parts that had been purchased when they were only estimates. No parts were ever purchased.

State vs. Zamora (DeHerrera is co-defendant)

Filing Date – Jan 27, 2011

Charges:

Acuity Insurance - \$8,889

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Forgery, 1 count, Felony 3

False Repair Documents: In July of 2010 DeHerrera filed a claim on his 2006 Harley Davidson motorcycle which had been damaged in a hit and run accident. DeHerrera submitted a list of replacement parts he purchased from the local dealership to his insurance. DeHerrera's girlfriend Zamora, who worked at the dealership, provided altered documents representing parts that had been purchased when they were only estimates. No parts were ever purchased.

State vs. Biscaro (Came is co-defendant)

Filing Date – Feb 9, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$2,807

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Tax Evasion, 1 count, Felony 2

False Evidence of Title and Registration, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: In March of 2008 Biscaro obtained insurance coverage on a 2004 Yamaha motorcycle. Biscaro claimed to have purchased the motorcycle in January of 2008 for \$6,500. The motorcycle was actually purchased for \$4,800 by Came using an alias of Espino. The vehicle title shows it was reassigned to Biscaro by Espino (Came) on March of 2008 with a sales price of \$0. Came damaged the motorcycle prior to it being insured by Biscaro.

State vs. Came (Biscaro is co-defendant)

Filing Date – Feb 9, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$2,807

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Tax Evasion, 1 count, Felony 2

False Evidence of Title and Registration, 1 count, Felony 2

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: In March of 2008 Biscaro obtained insurance coverage on a 2004 Yamaha motorcycle. Biscaro claimed to have purchased the motorcycle in January of 2008 for \$6,500. The motorcycle was actually purchased for \$4,800 by Came using an alias of Espino. The vehicle title shows it was reassigned to Biscaro by Espino (Came) on March of 2008 with a sales price of \$0. Came damaged the motorcycle prior to it being insured by Biscaro.

State vs. Tiwari

Filing Date – Feb 10, 2011

Charges:

American Family Insurance - \$15,650

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 4 counts, Felony 2

False Information to Law Enforcement, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

False Theft Claim: In November of 2010 Tiwari contacted Provo Police to report a suitcase stolen from his car which he was inside his apartment. Tiwari submitted photos of the stolen items to insurance as part of the claim process. Forensic analysis of the photos revealed they were taken after the reported loss. Tiwari admitted the theft was false and needed money to send to his family in Nepal.

State vs. Adams

Filing Date – Feb 17, 2011

Charges:

Farm Bureau - \$2,883

Theft of Lost Property, 1 count, Felony 3

Agent Fraud: Insurance Agent Adams received a commission check payable to a different Adams who was also an agent with Farm Bureau. This check was mistakenly mailed to Adams. Adams signed and deposited this check. A week later Adams was contacted by an investigator with Farm Bureau asking if he had received a check by accident. Adams denied receiving the check. Adams later said his wife deposited the check without his knowledge. This statement was found to be false.

State vs. Ball

Filing Date – Feb 17, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$10,534

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

EBay - \$950

Criminal Mischief, 1 count, Felony 2

Receiving Stolen Vehicle, 1 count, Felony 2

Theft by Deception, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: Ball was involved with Jepson in dismantling a 2000 Dodge Ram truck belonging to Grimes. Grimes had conspired with Jepson to stage the theft of his vehicle. Ball received parts from the Dodge truck which he sold for his own profit. Ball also defrauded EBay and PayPal through a false sale of parts scheme between he and Jepson.

State vs. Valdivia

Filing Date – March 3, 2011

Charges:

Sentry Insurance - \$3,201

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Vehicle Theft Claim: On October 23, 2010 Valdivia was identified as the driver of a vehicle involved in an injury accident. Valdivia climbed out of the back window of his car and ran off. He then reported his vehicle stolen to the police. The police responded and found Valdivia to be intoxicated and arrested him in regards to the accident. Valdivia then filed a stolen vehicle claim two days later with his insurance company in regards to the same incident. Valdivia later admitted the vehicle was never stolen and he was the driver and did not want a DUI conviction.

State vs. Case (Ainsworth is co-defendant)

Filing Date – March 7, 2011

Charges:

Progressive Insurance - \$3,318

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On July 31, 2010 Case and Ainsworth were involved in an accident in their 2007 Dodge truck while uninsured. Case obtained insurance coverage 45 minutes later. On August 9, 2010 Case submitted a claim for the accident claiming it occurred after the vehicle had been insured.

State vs. Ainsworth (Case is co-defendant)

Filing Date – March 7, 2011

Charges:

Progressive Insurance - \$3,318

Obstructing Justice, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On July 31, 2010 Case and Ainsworth were involved in an accident in their 2007 Dodge truck while uninsured. Case obtained insurance coverage 45 minutes later. On August 9, 2010 Case submitted a claim for the accident claiming it occurred after the vehicle had been insured.

State vs. J. Barrett

Filing Date – March 9, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$10,317

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Forgery, 2 counts, Felony 3

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Accident Past Posting: On June 1, 2010 J. Barrett was involved in an accident with his wife's 2003 Mazda. The Mazda was uninsured at the time. Barrett's wife R. Barrett, obtained insurance on the 2003 Mazda and another vehicle two hours later during which time she excluded her husband from being on the policy, claiming to be separated. On June 3, 2010 R. Barrett submitted the accident claim to GEICO saying the accident occurred after being insured. On June 3, 2010 R. Barrett faxed proof on insurance documents to GEICO with the time of origination altered. R. Barrett claims this to be the original and alleges GEICO altered their documents.

State vs. R. Barrett

Filing Date – March 9, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$10,317

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On June 1, 2010 J. Barrett was involved in an accident with his wife's 2003 Mazda. The Mazda was uninsured at the time. Barrett's wife R. Barrett, obtained insurance on the 2003 Mazda and another vehicle two hours later during which time she excluded her husband from being on the policy, claiming to be separated. On June 3, 2010 R. Barrett submitted the accident claim to GEICO saying the accident occurred after being insured. On June 3, 2010 R. Barrett faxed proof on insurance documents to GEICO with the time of origination altered. R. Barrett claims this to be the original and alleges GEICO altered their documents.

State vs. Zenner (Self is co-defendant)

Filing Date – March 23, 2011

Charges:

Allstate Insurance \$31,637

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In April of 2009 Zenner and Self conspired with Jepson to stage the theft of their 2006 Dodge D-350 truck. Jepson and others removed the truck while Zenner was out of the country and dismantled and disposed of it. Parts to this vehicle were returned to Zenner which he then posted for sale on an internet site. Zenner and Self reported the truck stolen to police and filed an insurance claim which was paid by Allstate.

State vs. Self (Zenner is co-defendant)

Filing Date – March 23, 2011

Charges:

Allstate Insurance - \$31,637

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In April of 2009 Zenner and Self conspired with Jepson to stage the theft of their 2006 Dodge D-350 truck. Jepson and others removed the truck while Zenner was out of the country and dismantled and disposed of it. Parts to this vehicle were returned to Zenner which he then posted for sale on an internet site. Zenner and Self reported the truck stolen to police and filed an insurance claim which was paid by Allstate.

State vs. Jones

Filing Date – Feb 3, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$2,285

Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 3

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On June 11, 2010 Jones opened her door into traffic and it was struck by a passing vehicle while uninsured. Jones immediately called on her cell phone and obtained insurance coverage for her car. Her previous policy had lapsed for non-payment. The GEICO representative overheard Jones telling people her door would not close because of it being hit. Jones denied any accidents or tickets during the coverage lapse. Jones then submitted a claim for this accident later that day stating it had occurred after she had obtained coverage. This claim was denied. Jones then reported a hit and run accident to GEICO on June 18, 2010. Jones claimed all damage to her driver's door and front fender occurred from the hit and run accident. This damage was from the prior accident but was not discovered by GEICO until after they had issued payment.

State vs. Haggard

Filing Date – March 28, 2011

Charges:

Allstate Insurance/Enterprise Rental - \$9,155

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Tampering with Witness, 1 count, Felony 3

Material Misrepresentation of Accident Claim: On January 23, 2009 a 2007 Dodge Caliber which had been rented from Enterprise Rental was involved in a single car rollover accident. Witnesses saw three males running from the accident scene. Police located empty alcohol bottles in the vehicle. Thirty minutes later, Haggard arrived at the accident scene in a different vehicle. Haggard claimed she had been the driver and was the sole occupant. Haggard stated she swerved to avoid a dog that ran into the road. Haggard was convicted of obstruction of justice and false information to police. In August of 2009 Haggard reiterated her fabricated story to Allstate Insurance investigators in an attempt to get insurance to cover the cost of the accident. Haggard again gave false statements to Insurance Fraud Investigators in October of 2010. Haggard then went to the home of one of the witnesses and yelled at the witness saying “you didn’t see what you say you saw”.

State vs. Vanover

Filing Date – April 4, 2011

Charges:

GEICO - \$Undetermined

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Progressive Insurance - \$4,000

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On July 31, 2010 Vanover was involved in an accident while driving his 2003 Landrover while uninsured. Vanover called GEICO on his cell phone and obtained insurance. Vanover then claimed the accident occurred after being insured. Vanover was at fault in the accident and the other vehicle was insured by Progressive.

State vs. Nelson

Filing Date – April 11, 2011

Charges:

Zurick American - \$13,443

Theft, 1 count, Felony 2

Conspiracy, 1 count, Felony 3

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: In March of 2009 Nelson traded in his 2005 Mitsubishi Lancer EVO to a car dealership in St. George. Nelson retained a spare key and later conspired with Jepson and others to provide the spare key in exchange for money to Jepson. Jepson and others used the spare key to steal the vehicle from the dealership, drove it back to Salt Lake, and dismantled it for parts.

State vs. Phillips

Filing Date – April 11, 2011

Charges:

American Family Insurance - \$23,963

Racketeering, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Theft by Deception, 1 count, Felony 2

Forgery, 1 count, Felony 3

Identity Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Claims Agent Theft: Phillips was employed as an auto accident claims adjuster. From November of 2010 to February 2011, Phillips accessed closed accident claims that she or other adjusters had authorized damage payments. Most claims were auto animal claims which would not result in increase of premium to the policy holder or raise suspicion. Phillips entered false damage adjustments to multiple claims and authorized payments to be issued in her husband's name. Phillips received these checks, forged her husband's name and deposited the money in her personal bank account.

State vs. Roberts

Filing Date – April 11, 2011

Charges:

Progressive Insurance - \$3,022

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On December 21, 2010 Roberts was involved in a vehicle accident in which he was at fault. Roberts carried only liability insurance on his vehicle. There was no claimed damage to the victim vehicle and only Robert's vehicle was damaged. The police were not called. When Roberts got home, he applied on line to increase his coverage to full coverage. Roberts then made the accident claim to his insurance stating it had occurred after he had changed his policy to full coverage.

State vs. Jacobsen

Filing Date – April 11, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$549

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Identity Fraud, 8 counts, Felony 3

Identity Fraud/ Windshield Repairs: Between August of 2008 through January 2009 Jacobsen impersonated vehicle insurance policy holders to obtain windshield repair coverage. When customers brought their car in for a oil change, Jacobsen as part of his business practice would locate the vehicle insurance card in the glove box, call the insurance company, impersonate the policy holder to obtain authorization to have the windshield repaired, and then would repair the windshield and bill the insurance company. Customers were unaware their windshields had been repaired or that their insurance had been billed.

State vs. S. Matautia (co-defendant with V. Matautia)

Filing Date – April 25, 2011

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$4,375

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Staged Vehicle Theft/False Property Theft: On January 8, 2010 Matautia and his wife claimed to have driven to Las Vegas from St. George in their 2002 Chevy Suburban. Matautia reported his suburban stolen on January 9, 2010 to the Las Vegas Police Department. The vehicle was recovered a few days later on January 11th a few blocks from where the Matautia's reportedly had stayed. Investigators located a car wash receipt in the vehicle documenting a car wash that was obtained by Matautia in St. George after the vehicle was reported stolen. Matautia's refused to provide proof of ownership for the items they reported were stolen from inside their Suburban.

State vs. V. Matautia (co-defendant with S. Matautia)

Filing Date – April 25, 2011

Charges:

State Farm Insurance - \$ 4,375

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Staged Vehicle Theft/False Property Theft: On January 8, 2010 Matautia and her husband claimed to have driven to Las Vegas from St. George in their 2002 Chevy Suburban. Matautia reported his suburban stolen on January 9, 2010 to the Las Vegas Police Department. The vehicle was recovered a few days later on January 11th a few blocks from where the Matautia's reportedly had stayed. Investigators located a car wash receipt in the vehicle documenting a car wash that was obtained by Matautia in St. George after the vehicle was reported stolen. Matautia's refused to provide proof of ownership for the items they reported were stolen from inside their Suburban.

State vs. Ennis

Filing Date – April 26, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$23,529

Theft, 2 counts, Felony 2

EBay/PayPal - \$1,321

Theft, 1 count, Misdemeanor A

Vehicle Burglary, 2 counts, Misdemeanor A

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: Ennis was involved in several vehicle burglaries and owner give ups with Jepson and others. These charges were specific to his involvement in breaking into and stealing parts from two new Mitsubishi Lance Evolutions from the Barber Brothers dealership in Orem. Ennis also listed auto parts on his EBay account, received money transfers into his account, and then failed to ship the parts, while keeping the money.

State vs. Wilson

Filing Date – May 4, 2011

Charges:

Liberty Mutual Insurance - \$3,800

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

False Information to Police, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Owner Give Up/False Vehicle Theft: On September 20, 2010 Wilson reported his 2001 Chevy Malibu stolen to his insurance company. Wilson later reported the vehicle stolen to the Taylorsville Police Department. It was discovered that five months prior to this claim, Wilson actually sold his 2001 Chevy Malibu to his niece. Wilson attempted to obtain insurance payment by reporting the vehicle stolen when his niece failed to make payments for the car.

State vs. Sprague

Filing Date – April 25, 2011

Charges:

United Insurance Group - \$8,889

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Insurance Application, 1 count, Misdemeanor B

Vehicle Accident Past Posting: On March 3, 2008 Sprague obtained insurance on his 2006 Ford Fusion through Ence Insurance in St. George. Sprague claimed on the application a home address in St. George Utah. On March 5, 2008 Sprague reported his 2006 Ford Fusion was totaled in a hit and run accident while parked at Wal-Mart in Las Vegas Nevada. It was discovered that the vehicle was actually totaled on March 3, 2008 when Sprague's wife was involved in auto accident with another vehicle prior to Sprague obtaining insurance. It was also discovered that Sprague lives in Las Vegas and not St. George as he indicated on the application.

State vs. Barry

Filing Date – May 11, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$53,740

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 3 counts, Felony 2

Stolen Item Replacement Misrepresentation: In April of 2010 Barry reported his home burglarized and several high value stereo components and a road bike stolen. Barry's insurance paid for the depreciated cost of the items. Barry falsified receipts and other documents to represent he had replaced the items in order to obtain additional payment from insurance of the replacement costs.

State vs. C. Myers (Co-defendant with J. Myers)

Filing Date – May 12, 2011

Charges:

Liberty Mutual Insurance - \$1,582

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Staged Auto Accident/Accident Past Posting: On February 1, 2010 J. Myers was involved in an accident with their 2001 Mercedes where he struck the back of another vehicle. Police were not called. Myers submitted a claim to insurance for the damage but had a \$1,000 deductible. On March 7, 2010 Myers changed their deductible to \$250 effective May 19, 2010. On July 15, 2010 J. Myers reported to Insurance that C. Myers had run into the garage wall damaging the front of the 2001 Mercedes. No Police were called. It was determined by a Bio Engineer that the damage reported from the second accident was actually damage from the first accident and that no second accident had occurred.

State vs. J. Myers (co-defendant with C. Myers)

Filing Date – May 12, 2011

Charges:

Liberty Mutual Insurance - \$1,582

Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3

Staged Auto Accident/Accident Past Posting: On February 1, 2010 J. Myers was involved in an accident with their 2001 Mercedes where he struck the back of another vehicle. Police were not called. Myers submitted a claim to insurance for the damage but had a \$1,000 deductible. On March 7, 2010 Myers changed their deductible to \$250 effective May 19, 2010. On July 15, 2010 J. Myers reported to Insurance that C. Myers had run into the garage wall damaging the front of the 2001 Mercedes. No Police were called. It was determined by a Bio Engineer that the damage reported from the second accident was actually damage from the first accident and that no second accident had occurred.

State vs. Simon**Filing Date – May 18, 2011****Charges:***Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield - \$124,385**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2*

Doctor Shopping: Between January 2009 and April 2010 Simon went to the emergency room 116 times and to private doctors 95 times to obtain injections of medication for migraine headaches. Simon failed to disclose visits to other doctors and provided other misleading information to doctors in order to obtain the injections.

State vs. Clark**Filing Date – June 6, 2011****Charges:***Progressive Insurance - \$7,376**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2*

Inflated Auto Accident Damages: In October of 2010 Clark was involved in a minor auto accident with his 2000 Honda Accord. During the claims process Clark represented all damage to the vehicle was as a result of the 2010 accident. It was discovered that the same vehicle had been in an accident in 2009 with the prior owner. Farmers Insurance paid for the damages at that time but the prior owner chose not to repair the vehicle. The passenger airbag deployed in the 2009 accident and the flaps had been glued closed. Clark claimed they it had deployed in the 2010 accident and that he had removed it himself but could not produce it.

State vs. Robinson**Filing Date – June 27, 2011****Charges:***Farmers Insurance - \$23,525**Racketeering, 1 count, Felony 2**GEICO Insurance - \$12,606**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2**CUMIS Insurance - \$12,740**Criminal Mischief, 2 counts, Felony 2**Allstate Insurance - \$21,065**Theft, 6 counts, Felony 2**Zurich Insurance - \$13,443**Theft, 1 count, Felony 3**Vehicle Burglary, 4 counts, Misdemeanor A*

Owner Give Up/Vehicle Theft Ring: Robinson was a central figure in the owner give up and auto theft parts ring involving Jepson and others. Robinson participated in stealing a 2005 Mitsubishi Lancer EVO from a car dealership in St. George. Robinson was involved in driving Jepson to several locations to take vehicles as part of a staged theft for insurance fraud involving the vehicle owners. Robinson was also involved with breaking into several vehicles to steal parts.

State vs. Green**Filing Date – June 23, 2011****Charges:***Mondial Assistance/Access America Insurance - \$3,987**Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 3**Travel Insured International Insurance - \$1,766**Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 3**Forgery, 5 counts, Felony 3*

False Injury Travel Insurance Claim: In June of 2010 Green claimed to have broken her toe and foot while vacationing in Havasupai Arizona. As a result Green claimed to have sought medical treatment in Havasupai and later a orthopedic surgeon. Green claimed she had to take a helicopter out of the canyon as she could not make the hike. Green claimed to have missed an airline flight and had additional lodging expenses as a result of the injury. All documents provided by Green to her insurance were false including altered documents from the Havasupai medical clinic which documented that she did not have a broken toe or foot. Green submitted a second similar claim in July of 2010 in which she claimed her son had fractured his clavicle and they missed a vacation trip to Colorado for a sporting event. It was discovered the injury had occurred prior to the travel insurance being purchased.

State vs. Lesa**Filing Date – June 29, 2011****Charges:***Undetermined - \$Undetermined**Insurance Fraud, 1 count, Felony 3**Prescription Fraud, 4 counts, Felony 2*

Doctor Shopping/Probation Violation: In August of 2008 Lesa entered pleas in regards to a prior investigation with the Insurance Fraud Division for Controlled Substance Violations. As a result of Lesa failing to pay court ordered restitution regarding her first case, an investigator was assigned to see if she had returned to her prior behavior. It was discovered that Lesa is continuing to obtain controlled substances from numerous doctors and pharmacies over a short period of time and is doctor shopping.

State vs. Clark

Filing Date – June 29, 2011

Charges:

No Insurance - \$0

Prescription Fraud, 3 counts, Felony 2

Forgery, 1 count, Felony 2

False Information to Govn't Agency, the Court, Misdemeanor B

Doctor Shopping/Falsified Government Documents: On March 7, 2011 Clark made a restitution payment on a prior case through the Insurance Fraud Division of \$400. During a subsequent court hearing Clark submitted a receipt to the court representing proof of payment for May of 2011. No payment in May occurred and Clark altered the March receipt to appear as if it were the May receipt. In a follow-up investigation, it was discovered that Clark has continued to doctor shop, seeing six different doctors and seven different pharmacies in a four month period of time in 2011.

State vs. Lagos (co-defendant with Muniz)

Filing Date – June 30, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$60,992

Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 1 count, Felony 2

False Auto Accident Injury Claim/Jump In: In March of 2010 Lagos was involved in a minor collision with another vehicle. The police were not called and no report was made. That same day Lagos sought treatment from a chiropractor whom he had previously seen several months prior due to a different auto accident. Lagos was treated for two months due to the March accident. Muniz also sought treatment at the same chiropractor and was treated for five months. Muniz through an attorney made an uninsured motorist claim for his injuries to State Farm in excess of \$53,000. The driver of the other vehicle in this accident stated that only Lagos was in the vehicle at the time of the accident and that Muniz got into the vehicle after the accident. Impact damage to the vehicle was minimal and was determined to have occurred prior to Lagos purchasing the van from the prior owner. No injuries could have occurred based on the vehicle damage. Employment documents provided by Muniz as part of his lost wages claim were also false as he had never worked for the listed employer.

State vs. Muniz (co-defendant with Lagos)

Filing Date – June 30, 2011

Charges:

Farmers Insurance - \$60,992

Insurance Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

Communications Fraud, 2 counts, Felony 2

False Auto Accident Injury Claim/Jump In: In March of 2010 Lagos was involved in a minor collision with another vehicle. The police were not called and no report was made. That same day Lagos sought treatment from a chiropractor whom he had previously seen several months prior due to a different auto accident. Lagos was treated for two months due to the March accident. Muniz also sought treatment at the same chiropractor and was treated for five months. Muniz through an attorney made an uninsured motorist claim for his injuries to State Farm in excess of \$53,000. The driver of the other vehicle in this accident stated that only Lagos was in the vehicle at the time of the accident and that Muniz got into the vehicle after the accident. Impact damage to the vehicle was minimal and was determined to have occurred prior to Lagos purchasing the van from the prior owner. No injuries could have occurred based on the vehicle damage. Employment documents provided by Muniz as part of his lost wages claim were also false as he had never worked for the listed employer.

